

# nty Communities Have an Interesting Origin; Many Towns mes in the Early Days of Territory; Provo Was Once Fort Utah

D (347) Named by  
atz because of the  
nd profits derived  
by mines. Settled  
effecutally settled

(151) Derived its  
Elberta peach orch-  
d by Ernest Rog-  
y said to have been  
it Nebo, for the  
t. Settled 1895.  
LD (93).

(325) (Genola  
Origin of name un-  
Settled 1917.

PRECINCT (711)  
n, 616) Named for  
necticut, birthplace  
W. Cook, first  
e community. Pre-  
sed Sodom, Sand-  
Mechanicsville. Set-

ID (270).

ILLE. Named in  
sse Knight, mining  
ow abandoned. Set-

ORE (528) Named  
mity to Utah lake.

w (460) Outgrowth  
amed for its situa-  
ing Utah lake.

RECINCT (3,302)  
,733). Named for a  
mon leader said to  
t his people from  
colonize the west-  
ere. Also known as  
Sulphur Springs,  
gs, and Evansville,  
or David Evans,  
Settled 1850.

Outgrowth of  
k; named for Le-  
early settler.

Outgrowth of  
ve; the name was  
e settlers.  
ON (932) (Maple-

home of Joseph Smith, founder  
of the Mormon church. Set-  
tled 1850.

PAYSON PRECINCT (3,972)  
(Payson city, 3,591) Named for  
James Pace, early settler, at  
first called Pacen. previously  
known as Fort Peteetneet, for  
a Ute chief. Settled 1850.

PLEASANT GROVE PRE-  
CINCT (3,739) (Lindon town  
587) Pleasant Grove City, 1,-  
941) Named for a cottonwood  
grove at the settlement site;  
previously known as Battle  
Creek, for the stream nearby,  
so named because it was the  
site of the first conflict be-  
tween Indians and Mormon  
settlers. Settled 1850.

PLEASANT VIEW (1,319)  
Outgrowth of Provo, named for  
its situation overlooking Utah  
Valley.

PROVO PRECINCT (18,-  
071) (Provo City, 18,071) Utah  
county seat. Named for the  
Provo river, which had taken  
its name from Etienne Provot  
(pronounced Provo), early  
trapper. Earlier called Fort  
Provo, as a resettlement of Fort  
Utah, named for the Ute or  
Utah Indians. Settled 1849.

PROVO BENCH (654).

SALEM PRECINCT (1,010)  
(Salem town, 659) Named for  
New Salem, Massachusetts.  
Earlier called Pondtown for a  
large natural pond near the  
settlement.

SANTAQUIN PRECINCT  
(1,449) (Santaquin city 1,297)  
Named for a Ute Indian leader.  
Formerly called Summit Creek,  
for a stream flowing nearby.  
Settled 1859.

SOLDIER SUMMIT (69)

Said to have been named for a  
few soldiers of Albert Sidney  
Johnston's army, buried near-  
by. The settlement, once a

thriving railroad town, is di-  
vided by the Utah-Wasatch  
county line and is located at  
the summit of the watershed be-  
tween the Great Basin and the  
Colorado river. Settled 1883.

SPANISH FORK PRE-  
CINCT (4,686) (Spanish Fork  
City, 4,167) So named for the  
Spanish Fork river, which took  
its name from use of the can-  
yon by Escalante and the Old  
Spanish Trail. Settled 1850.

SPRING LAKE (453) So  
named for a small lake formed  
by several nearby springs.  
Earlier called Spring Lake  
Villa. Settled 1850.

SPRINGVILLE PRECINCT  
(5,190) (Springville City, 4,-  
796) So named for a large  
spring near the townsite. The  
vicinity earlier was called Hob-  
ble Creek because a member  
of a Mormon exploring party  
lost a pair of hobbles from his  
horse nearby. Settled 1850.

THISTLE (318) Name sug-  
gested by the prolific growth  
of wild thistles nearby. Rail-  
road junction for Sanpete Val-  
ley branch line. Settled 1883  
when the D. & R G W. Rail-  
road built its line through from  
Denver.

VINEYARD (719) Outgrowth  
of Lake View and Provo; so  
named for the vineyards of  
early settlers.

Vivian Park. Origin of name  
uncertain; a summer resort in  
Provo canyon. Settled 1919.

Westportal. Name given the  
westoutlet of the Strawberry  
reservoir waters into the Straw-  
berry highline canal. Settled  
1916.

Wildwood., Named for the  
wild shrubbery; a summer re-  
sort in Provo canyon. Settled  
1906.

